Draft Position Paper on Chechen Rebels

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Defending group as Freedom Fighters

Chechen Rebels

The Chechen Rebels are a smaller party, and we are located in Russia's North Caucasus region. It wasn’t until after the fall of the Soviet Union, when our advocates of separation launched a campaign of independence. It had completely fallen apart, and it was time for our tiny republic to take action for the sake of our independence. This campaign of independence resulted in two wars, and a continuous rebellion in Russia’s Chechnyan republic. Our public is responsible to fight for the independence that we believe we should be given, and when we stand together we can **fight** for our **freedom**.

Recognized as a distinct group of people since the 17th century, the chechens have been identified as an ethnic group whose marked history has been done due to our violent struggles with independence. We come from the Southern region of the Russian border, and we have campaigned several times for the right of independence for our people. We launched two independence campaigns which arose the first Chechen war in 1994. About five years later, the second Chechen war began in 1999, and has even since been the cause of the region’s ongoing violence. The majority of our people are Muslims, although we are said to have some type of connection to Al Qaeda. We are recognized by the U.S. state department as terrorists. One of our groups has identified itself with Muslim extremists, and it is said to be true by the Central Asia-Caucasus institute that the ideas of an Islamic state and jihad have been spread among our people, to follow up to the second Chechen war. We have become victims of terrorism by others, but what they do not know is our struggle for freedom; and the reasoning behind our various actions that have been taken. We would never intend to be the suspects of terror, but when it comes to interfering and potentially breaking down our nation; the act must be done. We want freedom, and we are willing to fight for what we want.

We want to fight for our own freedom. Russia should have no way to take over what is ours, they will not take anything else from us. They have attempted to dominate our homeland more than enough times, and this will be the last. They have tried taking over our land, which we are reluctant to give up due to its value in natural resource. Our region has been blessed with one of the most demanding natural resources on Earth today, oil. The demand and need of it is rapidly increasing due to the fear that it will eventually not exist. Russia will not take any more of what is ours. We are aiming for independence and will do what we have to in order to get it. Russia has tormented and tried breaking us apart; and we will fight for our freedom back.

We are not ones committing acts of terror, but we are people who have been acted upon in terror; and want their freedom back once and for all. We have been given the swell of support among our country to go for our right of independence which has been taken from us. We will not back down to those who have tried so hard to tear us apart. A people this strong will never give up a fight that easy. It hasn’t ever been easy, and we don’t expect it to be; but a fight for our independence is what we will take on. Our own homeland has been tormented, terrorized, and torn apart; but it never will be fully.

We, the people of Chechnya have been put into this predicament and have lost more than enough of our homeland, and are reluctant to have that be the case again. We will not beg for the support, but for the understanding of our intentions to defend our people and their homeland. We are against Russia, and are left with the mechanism of defense for our people. Our mission will not be complete until our independence is granted, and we will fight for it; harder than we have been hit by them. We will.